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Filed: March 28, 2001

Our File No.: 119941-1089

Sir:

Enclosed for filing please find the following items relating to the above-identified patent application:

1. Supplemental Amendment and Response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (9 pp.); and
2. Return postcard.

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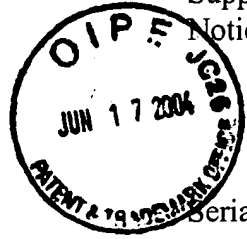
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**SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO
NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT**

Sir:

On May 13, 2004 Applicants submitted an Amendment and Response to the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) in connection with U.S. Patent Application No. 09/820,244, referenced above. The Amendment and Response was submitted as a reply to a non-final Office Action, mailed February 13, 2004.

In the submitted Amendment and Response, a listing of claims in an "Amendments to the Claims" section indicated that Claim 33 was withdrawn. However, the listing of claims did not include the text of Claim 33. Accordingly, the USPTO mailed a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment to Applicants on May 26, 2004.

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, Applicants submit herewith a corrected "Amendments to the Claims" section of their Amendment submitted May 13, 2004 and

received at the USPTO on May 17, 2004. The section submitted herewith now includes the entire text of withdrawn Claim 33, and is otherwise identical to the listing of claims in Applicants' Amendment and Response of May 13, 2004. A copy of the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment is attached hereto as Exhibit A, for ready reference.

Conclusion

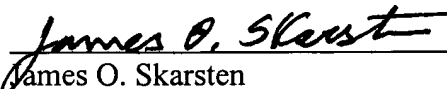
In view of the Supplemental Amendment and Response, Applicants respectfully submit that the claims in the Application are now in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and allowance of the pending claims is therefore respectfully requested.

Applicants hereby authorize the Commissioner to charge any fees, other than issue fees, that may be required by this paper to Deposit Account 07-0153.

If the Examiner has any questions, it is requested that the Examiner contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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